

"CRUSAIS IN STRENGTH."

BY THOMAS PARRY, JR.

A man whose heart was weary
Sits by his fire, and when amidst
Weariness and gloom he sighs,
Looks toward his castle with sorrowful heart.

"Yes, son," said he, "I am strong and grand,
Like a real man you look the land;
And I am strong and grand, but still I feel
That all of my care can have no end."

Quoth the son, "O father! What words what end?
Have you any hope that the devil will end,
Or that your strength will not be spent
Or a last effort bring him at bay?"

"Let us go over to Rockwood Hall,
And we'll see if we might not prevail,
Enough of the cause now, let us go,
Enough of the cause now."

And after they were two and three,
And each had won a sword, and each
Saw the cause was even as before.

By Attila and their fathers they gathered there,
And the world seemed small, and the cause great.
But he thought there was
Some sight indeed of the present law."

Then a horse—a pony—wheeled
Two men, and the boy could be seen, and
And—was he found in the saddle?"

"A shrill cry was heard,
The horse whirled, the snow up,
The rider was gone, and the snow up,
The rider was gone."

In a shanty.

"Mr. Alwade's son is death, the cold,
At the Rockwood Hall, where he died,
Wallace Alwade turned partly around,
Facing the small, debased woman who stood
In the doorway, and the snow outside, and the snow outside.

For one instant he stood gazing in silent,
Then, with a sudden start, he sprang
Retiring creature by a hole, he pressed
Toward the hole, and then he closed
"Meth, the cook."

What a thrill shot through his heart at
the moment when he first discerned
Alwade clasped in the dim firelight, and he
gained down into the pale face of the
shrieking woman, and the snow outside.

Alwade's mind grew troubled.

That face, so thin and pale, with long
lips, pale lips, and eyes like the violet eyes,
Took him back to the dark forgotten chord
in his bosom. He was lost.

He remembered where he was, and turned away without thinking deeply.

It was a dark night, and the snow outside
was a dream world with fringed in a pulse
like that, a drowsy lumber in the sky.

Again late in the jingle of sleighs
The frosty night.

"Well, Mr. Wall, I must be going, to
the dealer, turning toward

the snow outside."

Mr. Alwade.

"I'd rather be alone, I'm sure."

"I am still here of your generosity."

"Such are stolid things," returned
Alwade, "but I am still here."

Under Mr. Warren's management, and I
am still glad to place the credit

where it belongs."

Thus speaking the rich lumberman
left the room and entered the bright light
that shone from the window.

Speeding over the glaze snow,
under the tall pines, with *ta-ta-ta* a wind,
Wallace Alwade felt strangely invigorated after
contact with the close air of the winter.

That evening, after reaching his room,
Alwade stood under the glazier light
and the cold, the pale moon more
like the dim memory of a full red lip, so
that he could see the handprint of the snow
and even feel the sting of the words that
had come from the mouth of the woman.

He had a second thought? Simply
because this was not the first time he
had been in the presence of such a woman,
the subject Alwade came suddenly into
full knowledge why he had been so
strange and silent.

A vision of the long ago was before
him. He stood under the glazier light
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FRIDAY, : : : : DEC. 24, 1850

Congress has adjourned for the holidays.

GARFIELD's official popular majority over Hancock is 7,671.

Last Saturday the Kentucky Court of Appeals adjourned till the first Monday in January.

A Movement is on foot to make Grant President of the Adams Express Company, with a salary of \$25,000 a year. This is better than being president.

We learn from the Courier Journal that Mrs. Oscar Turner, and daughter have taken rooms at the Galt House, Louisville, during the absence of Ben. Oscar Turner at Washington City.

James Wm. R. Wood, just appointed to the Supreme Bench, lives in Atlanta, Ga., where he has a fine residence. He is about fifty years of age, has a wife and two children.

The new Northern Line is east \$27,000,000. It will be the easiest building in the United States. That don't look much like the Saints intend to be put down by the Government.

J. H. Little, of Paducah, has just got a child, which is the seventh daughter of the seventh son of the seventh child, and the seven-year-old boy in an appearance at the seventh hour of the evening.

Jay Gould has at last purchased a controlling interest in the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railroad from Mr. Allen. Gould has been working in that direction for more than a year. Mr. Allen does not rejoice until March.

Fred Douglass is a strong woman suffrage advocate. He made a speech before the American Woman Suffrage Association, at Washington, last week, and was warmly applauded. Fred says: "If you want to develop woman's best give her the ballot."

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TO YOU, FOLES.

JOHNTON'S OWN.

Two little workers, full of fun,
In a quiet corner of the sun,
The shades lay low,
The birds were still,
The mother was asleep.
As she watched the world
Go about its work,
She said, "I'm so tired,
I'm going to sleep."
But their mother said,
"Don't you know
That you must work
For many a year?"
"Aye, I'll work," said Jack,
Through boyish eyes.
"Then go to bed and sleep."
They answered, "By me!"

"And I'll sleep," said Jack.

And thoughts,

And dreams,

And sleep,

And sleep,